GIS Screening Tool:

Cumulative Risk for Underground Storage Tanks

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ITEC Overview

Located in Tahlequah, Oklahoma

42 Member Tribes in Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Texas

Provide Technical Services and Support

ITEC Programs:

Clean Air, Superfund, RCRA Solid and Hazardous Waste, Brownfields, General Assistance Program, UST

What's the problem?

Leaking Underground Storage Tanks (LUST):

- ✓ Adversely effect human health
- ✓ Adversely impact the environment
- ✓ Contaminate natural resources
- ✓ Remediation costs

Currently, there is no system used inspect those sites that pose the greatest potential to leak and impact our natural resources.

Associating Risk with UST's

Risk = Vulnerability (UST) + Impact (GIS Data)

Vulnerability - component of the UST System

Impact – Digital Data Sets

Determine degree of risk for each set of criteria on a 1-5 scale, 1 is low/minimal and 5 is high/max

Associating Risk with UST's

Each set of criteria contains:

- uncertainties, assumptions, other info
- **Professional judgments**
- Database reference & dated changes
- Current literature & reference to env. law

More than 75 pieces of criteria are used in analysis

ITEC UST Criteria

Example:

UST Materials of Construction (1-5)

1 = Double & Triple walled Fiberglass

2 = STI-P3, FPR & Urethane coated

3 = Single Walled Fiberglass

4 = Steel w/ cathodic protection

5 = Steel

Leak Detection Records for 12 Months

$$Yes = 1 No = 5$$

Overall Criteria

Develop 5 categories or areas of concern for individual criteria

- ✓ UST Facility
- ✓ Physical UST Criteria
- ✓ Compliance (Operational & Maintenance)
- ✓ Landscape (Dr. Gerald Carney)
- ✓ Community (Dr. Gerald Carney)

ITEC UST Criteria

Facility Criteria (7):

Total Number of Dispensers

Total Number of UST's

Age of Facility

Facility Condition

Facility Status

Condition of Vent Pipes

Site History Release

Compliance Criteria (8):

ITEC UST Owner/Operator

Leak detection records for 12 mo.

Annual Maintenance/ Calibration

Records & Paperwork complete

UST Operating procedures

Insurance

Release reported past 12 mo

Meets EPA compliance

Physical UST Characteristics (10):

Tank Status

New or Upgraded UST System

Leak detection present (operational)

Type of UST pumping System

Piping Materials of construction

Cathodic Protection (if applicable)

UST Materials of Construction

Type of Overfill device

Age of UST

Type of Spill containment

Landscape & Community Criteria

Community Criteria (26): Landscape Criteria (24): Soil Permeability/ Porosity Population Density Population under age 7 **Aquifer Geology** Population over age 55 Distance to Surface Water Population under age 1 **Surface Water Shoreline** Percent area covered by Surface Water **Minority Population** Wetlands Road Density per square mile **Unified Watershed Assessment** Surface water flow **Annual Rainfall** Wildlife habitat Landuse Quality ranking **EPA Permitted facilities** Chemical release to air (TRI) 100 yr floodplain 500 yr floodplain Chemical release to land (TRI) Toxicity weighted release to air Public water supply Toxicity weighted release to water Soil Profile Surface Water use Engineering properties **Natural Spring** Non-attainment area Private Well data Health data Geology profile e.g. cancer, birth defects, Depth to saturated zone disease rate **NPL** sites Schools & daycares

Urban vs Rural area

Other LUST sites

Goal & Solution to the Problem

- Prioritize UST sites that are most vulnerable
- Maximize Resources
- Decision Making tool

Utilize Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

Powerful Analysis tool

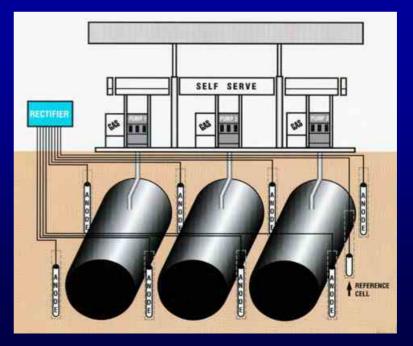
Spatial Relationships

Why Priority Ranking?



UST Failure

Not all UST facilities are built the same



Early GIS Issues

Multiple UST's at Facility

- Score each UST individually
- Worst UST score scenario for each facility

Some criteria more important than others?

- Ground Water and Surface Water
- Answer: Weigh?

Developing the Tool

GIS tool – Goal is to utilize the tool in two ways

UST priority ranking tool –

Inspect those UST sites that present a higher risk to human health and environment

UST planning tool –

Determine if future UST site is in high risk area and advise on safeguards needed

Project Overview

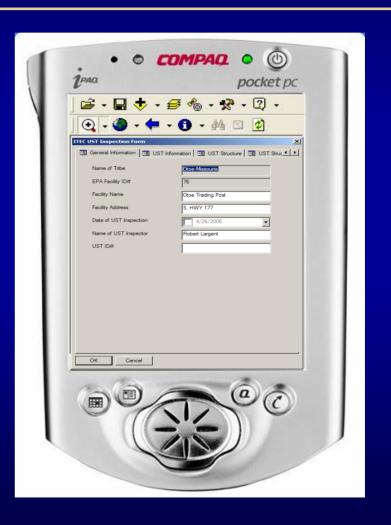
ITEC UST Program:

- GPS UST locations and Monitoring Well Markers
- 21 ITEC UST Facilities in Oklahoma
- 63 Underground Storage Tanks
- Gather Data from EPA and ITEC Databases

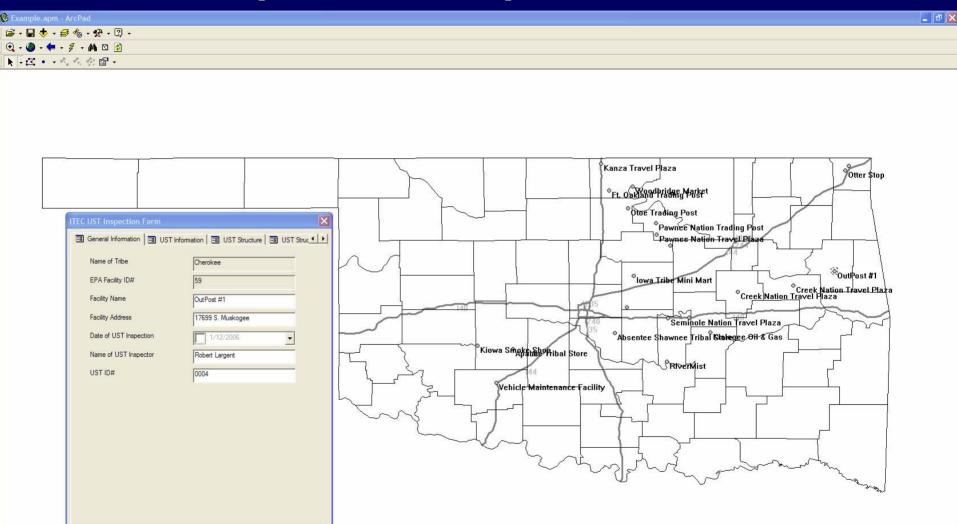
In the Field

GIS UST Inspection Form:

- Criteria in system
- Standard Form
- GIS Format
- Process Time
- Update/Download
- Easy to Use



Arcpad UST Inspection Form





Cancel







In the Office

Step 1: Download the Form

Desktop GIS:

Step 2: Process Data: Field Data + Standard Data

Step 3: Using pre-determined criteria setup, data flows through automated GIS process through the 75 pieces of criteria

How it Works

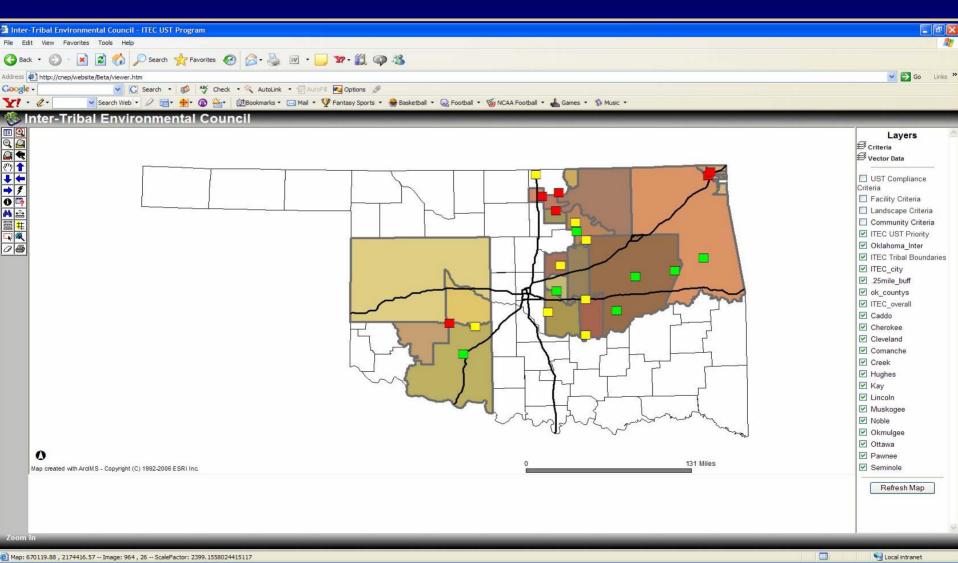
Using AML (Arc Macro Language) scripts in ArcInfo Workstation...automated analysis

Creates buffer from lat/long of UST based on defined radius

Clips other datasets, Scores 1-5 based on predetermined criteria

Records results (Raw Data & 1-5 score) in INFO table

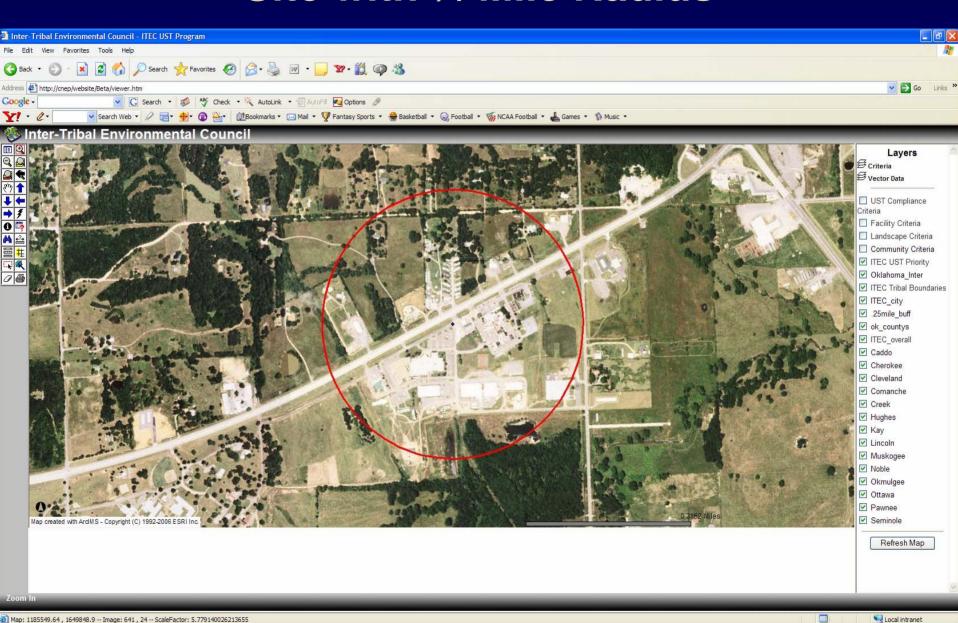
Web Prioritization Overview







Site with 1/4 Mile Radius



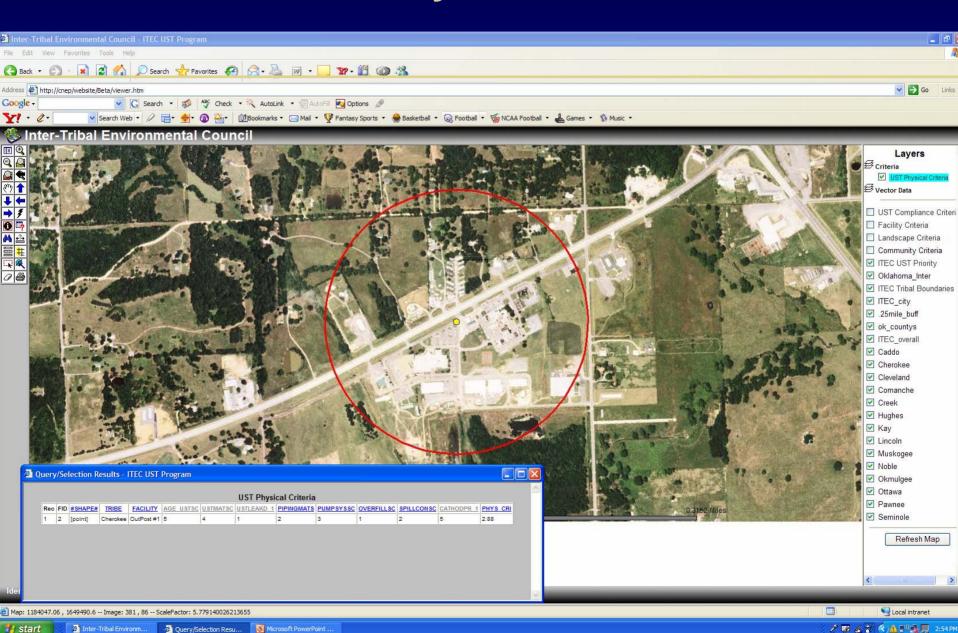
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Microsoft PowerPoint ...

UST 3D Model



Site with UST Physical Criteria Screen



Cumulative Risk Results

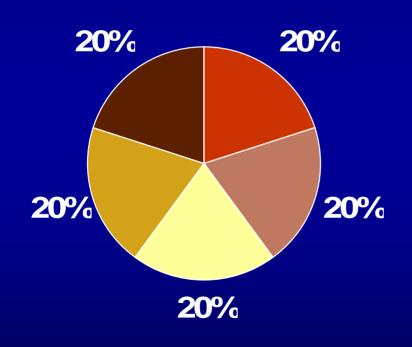
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Low	
Station A	1.75
Station B	2.57
Station C	2.66
Station D	2.68
Station E	2.82
Station F	2.91
Station G	2.95
Highest	

Station Z

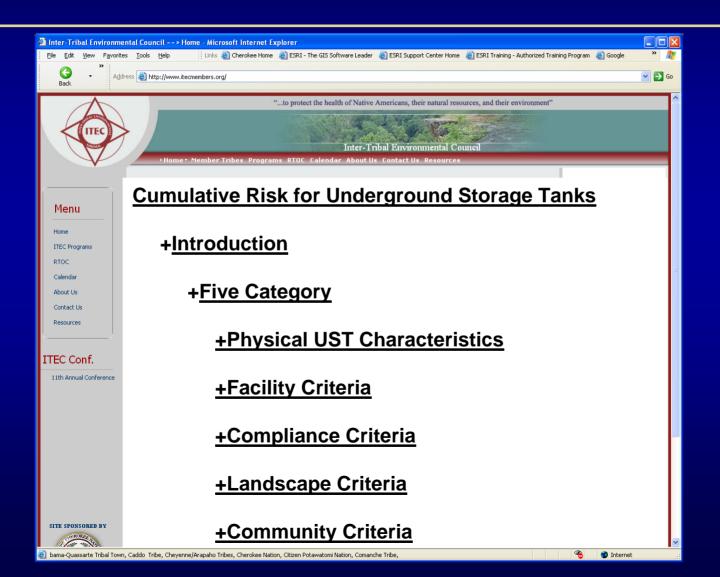
Cumulative Results

Cumulative Results for each Category

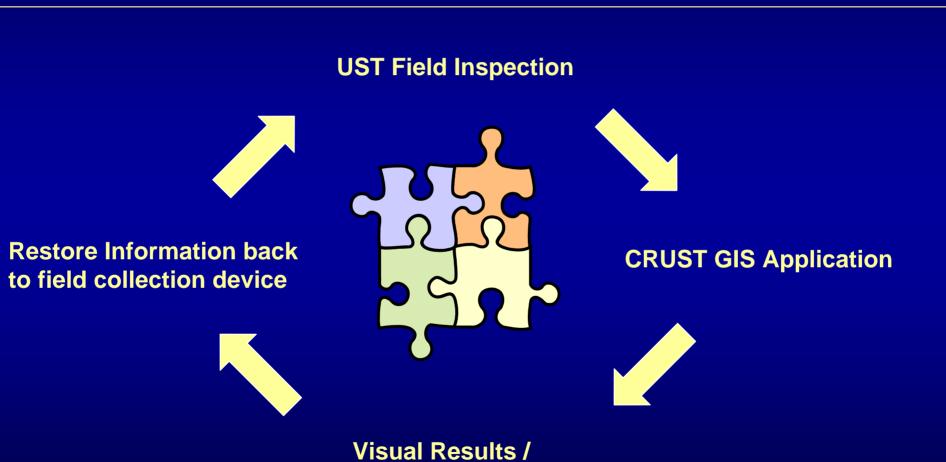


- **Facility Criteria**
- UST Physical Criteria
- Compliance Criteria
- Landscape Criteria
- Community Criteria

Future Online Documentation



UST Field Inspection Process



ArcIMS Data Viewer

What Ends Up Happening...

- Prioritize UST Facilities
- ✓ Maximize ITEC UST Staff
- ✓ Predict where future UST leaks may occur
- Environmental Impact a leak will have on the area
- ✓ A planning tool to screen future UST sites
- Decision Making tool

Project Overview

Software Applications Used

ESRI Arcpad 6.03

ArcInfo 9.0

ArcIMS 9.0

Spatial Analyst Extension

3D Analyst Extension

Sketchup 5.0

What's Next...

- ✓ Full System implementation
- ✓ Complete Documentation
- ✓ WEB compatible application
- ✓ Integrate with other ITEC programs

Advantages of CRUST GIS

- Customizable to fit need / program
- Expanded to include large amounts of data
- Data available from multiple sources
- Process multiple data sets (saves time & money)
- User defined radius
- Instant results

Questions

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ITEC Overview

22 Environmental Staff

12 Workstation Mobile Training Lab

2 ESRI Authorized Instructors

2 Trimble Certified Instructors

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Trainings Offered:
GIS/GPS
Environmental Sampling
UST Owner/Operator
Water Sampling
Air & Brownfield's Workshops





